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PROSPECTIVE PLANTINGS – MARCH 1, 2023

ARIZONA HIGHLIGHTS

As of March 1, Arizona growers intend to plant 100,000 acres of **corn** for all purposes in 2023, up 20,000 acres, or 25 percent from last year's plantings, according to the March 1 Agricultural Survey conducted by the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. If realized, this would represent the largest corn planted area on record. Growers intend to plant 21,000 acres of **barley** in 2023, up 5,000 acres from last year's actual plantings. If realized, this would represent the largest barley planted area since 2014. Growers are estimated to have seeded 40,000 acres of **Durum wheat** this year, down 45,000 acres, or 53 percent, from last year. **Hay** producers in the State intend to harvest 315,000 acres this year, unchanged from the total acreage cut for hay in 2022.

Producers intend to plant 116,000 acres of **all cotton** in 2023, an increase of 13 percent from last year. Of that, 100,000 acres are **upland** cotton, up 14 percent from last year, and 16,000 acres are **American Pima** cotton, up 7 percent from last year.

UNITED STATES HIGHLIGHTS

Corn planted area for all purposes in 2023 is estimated at 92.0 million acres, up 4 percent or 3.42 million acres from last year. Compared with last year, planted acreage is expected to be up or unchanged in 40 of the 48 estimating States.

Producers intend to seed 2.92 million acres of **barley** for the 2023 crop year, down 1 percent from the previous year.

All wheat planted area for 2023 is estimated at 49.9 million acres, up 9 percent from 2022. The 2023 **winter wheat** planted area, at 37.5 million acres, is up 13 percent from last year and up 2 percent from the previous estimate. Of this total, about 26.0 million acres are Hard Red Winter, 7.80 million acres are Soft Red Winter, and 3.71 million acres are White Winter. Area expected to be planted to **other spring wheat** for 2023 is estimated at 10.6 million acres, down 2 percent from 2022. Of this total, about 9.95 million acres are Hard Red Spring wheat. **Durum** planted area for 2023 is expected to total 1.78 million acres, up 9 percent from the previous year.

Producers intend to harvest 50.6 million acres of **all hay** in 2023, up 2 percent from 2022.

All cotton planted area for 2023 is estimated at 11.3 million acres, down 18 percent from last year. **Upland** area is estimated at 11.1 million acres, down 18 percent from 2022. **American Pima** area is estimated at 154,000 acres, down 16 percent from 2022.

For a full copy of the *Prospective Plantings* report, please visit www.nass.usda.gov.